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### BEFORE THE POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

COMPETITIVE PRODUCT PRICES
PARCEL SELECT CONTRACT 3 (MC2012-32)
NEGOTIATED SERVICE AGREEMENT

Docket No. CP2012-40

# RESPONSE OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE TO CHAIRMAN'S INFORMATION REQUEST NO. 1

(September 12, 2013)

The Postal Service hereby responds to Chairman's Information Request No. 1, which was issued on September 6, 2013. The request is reprinted verbatim in the attached, and is followed by the Postal Service's response.

Respectfully submitted,

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### **REQUEST:**

The Excel files attached to the Postal Service's response show that the prices in effect for the contract year beginning August 1, 2013 were adjusted pursuant to the amendment filed with the Commission on August 28, 2013. Please explain how the August 1, 2013 price adjustment was consistent with 39 U.S.C. 3632(b)(3), which requires that prices for rates not of general applicability be filed with the Commission at least 15 days prior to their effective date.

#### **RESPONSE:**

The contract prices were adjusted on August 1, 2013, pursuant to Paragraph I.F.2 in the existing contract language. That section provides the Postal Service with flexibility on the annual price adjustment. The prices were not adjusted pursuant to the amendment filed with the Commission on August 28, 2013. As the existing contract was already approved by the Commission, there is no inconsistency with 39 U.S.C. 3632(b)(3).